## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Vermont is committed to protecting the most vulnerable, including

young people, by providing expanded learning opportunities to help close the achievement gap and prepare young people to compete in

the global economy; and

Vermonters are committed to providing quality afterschool WHEREAS,

programs and opportunities; and

afterschool programs provide safe, challenging and engaging WHEREAS,

> learning experiences for children, support working families, help sustain stronger communities by involving students, parents, business leaders and adult volunteers in the lives of young people, and ultimately promote positive relationships among youth, families

and adults; and

WHEREAS, Vermont has provided significant leadership in community

> involvement in the education and well-being of our youth, grounded in the principle that quality afterschool programs are key to helping

our children become successful adults; and

Lights on Afterschool, the national celebration of afterschool WHEREAS,

> programs held this year on October 24, 2019, promotes the importance of quality afterschool programs in the lives of children,

families and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim October 24, 2019 as

## LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Vermont on this 24th day of October, A.D. 2019.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs